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In the wake of the denial for federal assistance for the victims of last month's wildfire in Cleveland County, the Oklahoma Voluntary Organizations Active in Disaster (Oklahoma VOAD) has formed a local long term recovery committee to assist in identifying the continuing needs of the disaster survivors. The purpose of the VOAD is to bring together local voluntary organizations active in disaster services, then join in cooperation with local, state, and federal government agencies in an effort to foster more effective response to the people of Cleveland County.

Oklahoma VOAD has assembled an unmet needs committee with long term case management being coordinated by Catholic Charities and the Society of St Vincent De Paul. Those individuals and families still in need of assistance should contact the Catholic Charities office at 405-523-3028. Catholic Charities, along with St. Vincent DePaul, will determine the best social service agency or agencies to refer the family, based on the need.

For further information please contact Catholic Charities at 405-523-3028.